**Poverty alleviation programmes**

2880. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI : Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the target set and achieved under different poverty alleviation programmes during the last two years, State-wise; and

(b) how Government propose to make these programmes more effective and target oriented?

THE MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SUNDAR LAL PATWA) : (a) The State-wise target set & achieved under different poverty alleviation programmes during 1998-99 and 1999-2000. State-wise are indicated at Annexure [*see* Appendix 189, Annexure No. 72].

(b) The implementation of the programmes is proposed to be made more effective by actively involving the Panchayati Raj Institutions and through active monitoring.

**Construction of rural roads in Madhya Pradesh**

†2881. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI : Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any plan of the Central Government to construct rural roads in Madhya Pradesh during the current financial years;

(b) if so, the total length of roads, in terms of kilometer to be constructed; and

(c) the total allocation made to the State for this purpose?

THE MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SUNDAR LAL PATWA) : (a) to (c) The Central Government are in the process of formulating a National Rural Connectivity Programme (NRCP) and have set up a National Rural Road Development Committee whose recommendations are awaited.

**DWCRA scheme in Himachal Pradesh**

2882. SHRI ANIL SHARMA : Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 2256 given in Rajya Sabha on 22-12-1999 and state;

(a) the district-wise allocation and utilization of funds under DWCRA during the last five years in Himachal Pradesh;

(b) what are the reasons for non-utilisation of full funds in this behalf every year; and

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(c) what is the district-wise number of SCs and STs benefited in this behalf during the above period ?

THE MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SUNDAR LAL PATWA) : (a) to (c) The information is being collected from the Government of Himachal Pradesh and will be laid on the table of the House.

**RD schemes operating in districts of Orissa**

2883. MISS FRIDA TOPNO : Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) the names/number of rural development schemes operating in Sundargarh and Jagatsinghpur district of Orissa at present and also the details for the last three years;

(b) the number of families benefited;

(c) the amount spent thereon (actual amount sanctioned and utilised) for last three years; and

(d) the schemes in operation in detail in the cyclone ravaged Erasama block of Jagatsinghpur district ?

THE MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SUNDER LAL PATWA) : (a) to (d) The information is being collected.

**Construction of IAY houses in NER**

2884. SHRIMATI BASANTI SARMA : Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) the details of fund allocated for the construction of Janta houses in the States of NER for the SCs/STs, tribal people of hilly areas, and weaker sections of the society under the Indira Awaas Yojana during the last three years;

(b) the details of houses constructed and allotted to the aforesaid classes in NER during this period; and

(c) the steps being taken by Government in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SUBHASH MAHARIA) : (a) to (c) The details of funds allocated and houses constructed under Indira Awaas Yojana in North Eastern States including Sikkim during the last three years are given in statement.